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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CH99/00318	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE July 13, 1999	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED July 16, 1998
TITLE OF INVENTION - see attached pages -		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US - see attached pages -		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l).</p>		

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Re: INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PCT/ CH99/ 00318 filed July 13, 1999  
Priority Claimed: Swiss Applications 1511/98 and 1512/98 filed July 16, 1998  
Inventors: Hans REICHLE

Title: CONTACT ASSEMBLY FOR MULTIPLE CONNECTION STRAP FOR CABLE  
TERMINALS, AS WELL AS MULTIPLE CONNECTION STRIP

Submitted herewith, **as the first submission**, are the following for the purposes of entering the national stage for the USA under 35 U.S.C. 371(c), **immediate national examination under 35 U.S.C. 371(f) being requested.**

- International Application.
- Translation of International Application.
- Inventor Declaration.
- Formal drawings (2 sheets, Figs. 1-8).
- Verified Statements Claiming Small Entity Status - Independent Inventor and Small Business Concern.
- Preliminary Amendment to eliminate multiple dependency of claims.
- Assignment with cover sheet.
- International Search Report issued by the European Patent Office.

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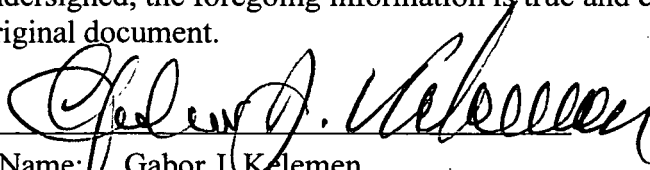
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